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Announce Institute on Municipal Administration.

Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, health officer of Los Angeles County and president of the Southern California Public Health Association, has issued the following circular relative to the Institute of Municipal Administration of the University of Southern California, to be held in Los Angeles August 13 to 18, 1928:

Through the activities of Mr. Emery E. Olsen, director of the institute, who requested a special committee of the Southern California Public Health Association to assist the university in arranging the health section of the institute, we are pleased to announce the following program:

Date: August 13 to 18, inclusive, 1928.

Place: 3551 University avenue, Los Angeles.

SPEAKERS

Major (Special Topics):

Mr. Abel Wolman, engineer, State Department of Health, Maryland.

Ira V. Hiscock, associate professor public health, Yale medical school.

Consultants:

Wm. P. Shepard, M.D., assistant secretary, Methropolitan Life Insurance Company.

J. L. Pomeroy, M.D., county health officer, Los Angeles County.

Wm. L. Tower, M.D., sanitary engineer.

Richard Bolt, M.D., assistant professor, School of Public Health, Berkeley.

R. V. Stone, D.V.M., director of laboratories, county health department.

Through special arrangement with the university, one hundred scholarships have been made available at a \$15 reduced rate for the entire institute, embracing all sections. This is limited to persons drawing a salary of less than \$200.

Applications should be made to Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, 156 Hall of Justice, Los Angeles.

The main lectures in the public health course will be given beginning at 8.15 a.m. and finishing at 12.45 p.m.

A special course limited to fifteen will be arranged in the afternoon by Professor Ira V. Hiscock for health officers only. Details of this administrative course will be announced shortly.

The general health section is open to any person interested, and if you desire to enroll you are urged to send your application in at your earliest convenience.

The members of the cooperating committee of the Southern California Public Health Association are:

Dr. W. F. Fox, city health officer, Pasadena.

Dr. G. E. McDonald, city health officer, Long Beach.

Dr. E. M. Miller, city health officer, Glendale.

Dr. K. H. Sutherland, county health officer, Santa Ana, Orange County.

Dr. W. B. Wells, city health officer, Riverside.

Dr. A. M. Lesem, county health officer, San Diego, San Diego County.

Dr. F. G. Crandall, health officer, Santa Barbara County.

Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, county health officer, Los Angeles.

Mr. H. A. Young, chief sanitary officer, Los Angeles County health department.

Dr. Sven Lokrantz, director department of health and corrective physical education, Los Angeles city schools.

Mr. W. T. Knowlton, sanitary engineer, city engineer's department.



Sewage Disposal In the Country.

(Continued from last issue.)

The sewer from the building should be of at least 4-inch diameter for family use and 6-inch or 8-inch diameter for the larger hotels. To avoid stoppages it must be laid on a good grade and at least 50 feet from trees. Willow and blue gum roots are a source of frequent stoppage in sewers, entering through defective joints. The minimum grade for a 4-inch sewer is 9 inches per 100 feet, and for a 6-inch sewer 7 inches per 100 feet, to insure self-cleaning. From the house to the septic tank the joints should be made by packing a ring of oakum soaked in creamy cement, filling the remaining joint with cement mortar well pressed into the groove all the way around. As the line approaches the tank it should be turned so that it will enter at the center of the inlet end and square with the tank, and on a reasonably flat grade. The sewer line as well as the septic tank ventilates back through the line and through the house vents. The system must be laid out to allow for such ventilation.



Miss Jamme Enters New Work.

Anna C. Jamme, R.N., who has directed the Bureau of Registration of Nurses since its organization in 1913, has resigned her position as chief of the bureau in order to become director at headquarters of the California State Nurses' Association. Miss Jamme's new duties include the editing of the Pacific Coast Journal of Nursing as well as the general direction of the executive affairs of the association.

This will enable her to broaden the scope of her work among the nurses of the state, to whom she will bring the benefits that come with her long experience as a national leader in nursing activities.

Miss Jamme has always maintained high ideals in her profession and she has ever stood firm in the establishment of high educational standards for nurses. The nursing profession in California owes much to her for its present enviable status as a profession. Her courage and resourcefulness have been tremendous factors in bringing this about. The staff of the State Department of Public Health witnesses her departure with regret and extends to her its greetings and best wishes in her broader field of work.



A. P. H. A. Will Meet in Chicago.

This year the American Public Health Association will hold its fifty-seventh annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, October 15-19, with headquarters at Hotel Stevens. Two other national health organizations, the American Child Health Association and the American Social Hygiene Association, will meet jointly with the American Public Health Association.

The first general session will be called Monday evening, when Herman N. Bundesen, M.D., president of the American Public Health Association, will give the presidential address, and either the president of the American Child Health Association or his representative will also speak at this opening meeting. The second general session, scheduled for Wednesday evening, will be devoted to a discussion of the following topics: "Our Organizations for the Care of the Sick," "Which Public Health Procedures Pay?" and "How to Use Effectively Civic Groups in Promoting Health Programs."

Sanitarians and persons interested in preventive medicine will this year have unusual opportunities to hear reports and discussions of the latest findings in their particular field, for the sessions of the week have been increased over the number of previous years.

There will be a total of 42 sessions; 31 of these will be meeting of sections of the association, including health officers, industrial hygiene, food, drugs and nutrition, laboratory, public health engineering, child hygiene, vital statistics, public health education and public health nursing.

Special sessions have been arranged for the discussion of cancer, training for the public health professions, dairy products, and epidemiology. The joint sessions will bring together these sections: Health officers, public health nursing, child hygiene; laboratory and food, drugs and nutrition; laboratory and public health engineering; child hygiene, public health education and the health education division of the American Child Health Association. The health officers will devote one session to rural health work.

A symposium on preschool health supervision procedures will be treated from the angle of the small town and rural areas, the small city, and a limited area of a large city. Infant mortality studies, and maternal mortality, school medical and nursing service, medical service in continuation schools, sickness and absence records in the school health program and objectives of dental health education will be discussed in the child hygiene section meetings with the American Child Health Association.

The public health engineering section has planned symposia on sterilization of milk utensils, shellfish sanitation, methods of financing water supply and sewage improvements. Atmospheric pollution by smoke and odors, useless noises and their relation to public health, and school room ventilation as it is related to absenteeism will be discussed by this group. A practical problem to be presented at a session of the engineers will be carbon monoxide pollution of air in Chicago.

Industrial fatigue, mortality trends in the industrial population, health education in industrial plants, the tuberculosis worker and his placement in industry will be subjects for discussion of the industrial hygienists.

Evaporated milk, its preparation and nutritive value and uses in the diet, will be one topic presented at the section of food, drugs and nutrition. What we should strive for in food advertising will be taken up by an eminent nutritionist.

Accidents in the home and in industry and public accidents will be topics considered by the vital statisticians. This group will also take up the subjects of disease and reallocation of nonresident deaths as they affect vital statistics records.

Among the speakers on the program will be Haven Emerson, M.D., professor of public health, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University; Eugene L. Fisk, M.D., of the Life Extension Institute; Louis I. Dublin, Ph.D., Donald B. Armstrong, M.D., Wade

Wright, M.D., and Edwin W. Kopf, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; Emery R. Hayhurst, M.D., Ohio State University; E. B. Hunt and Volney S. Cheney, M.D., Armour and Company; J. B. Gibson, director of safety and health, Western Electric Company; E. V. McCollum, M.D., Johns Hopkins University; F. W. Fabian, Ph.D., research associate in bacteriology, Michigan State College; Frank E. Rice, M.D., Evaporated Milk Association; George T. Palmer, D. P. H., and Dorothy F. Holland, Ph.D., American Child Health Association; Elizabeth Gardiner, M.D., J. V. DePorte, Ph.D., New York State Department of Health; Philip Van Ingen, M.D., New York city; Grace L. Anderson, R.N., East Harlem Health Center, New York City; Amelia Grant, R.N., director, bureau public health nursing, New York City Department of Health; Otis B. Nesbit, director, medical inspection, Gary, Indiana, public schools; E. H. Lewinski-Corwin, Ph.D., New York City; Walter S. Cornell, M.D., director medical inspection of public schools, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ann Dickie Boyd, director of nursing, Bureau of Education, Denver, Colo.; Prof. F. N. Freeman, University of Chicago; James F. Rogers, M.D., U. S. Bureau of Education; Max Levine, Ph.D., G. H. Nelson and Harry N. Jenks, Iowa State College; Harold C. Stewart, M.D., Harvard University; Prof. C. E. Turner, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; John Sundwall, M.D., University of Michigan; Meyer Bloomfield, consultant on public relations, New York City; William A. Sawyer, M.D., Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N. Y.; C. W. Bergquist, president, Chicago Tuberculosis Institute; H. E. Kleinschmidt, M.D., National Tuberculosis Association, New York City; Howard W. Green, secretary, Cleveland Health Council; Iago Galdston, M.D., New York Tuberculosis and Health Association.

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Diphtheria.

49 cases of diphtheria have been reported, as follows: Berkeley 1, Fresno 1, Los Angeles County 6, El Monte 1, Long Beach 1, Los Angeles 16, Pasadena 2, San Gabriel 1, Whittier 1, Pacific Grove 1, Orange County 1, Anaheim 1, Riverside County 4, Sacramento 3, San Bernardino County 1, Chula Vista 1, San Francisco 5, Santa Rosa 1, Santa Paula 1.

Measles.

20 cases of measles have been reported, as follows: Berkeley 2, Fresno County 1, Glen-

* From reports received on August 6th and 7th for week ending August 4th.

dora 1, Long Beach 1, Los Angeles 4, Monrovia 1, Pasadena 1, Placentia 1, Lincoln 1, Sacramento 1, San Diego County 1, San Diego 1, San Francisco 2, San Jose 1, Ventura County 1.

Scarlet Fever.

49 cases of scarlet fever have been reported, as follows: Berkeley 2, Oakland 2, El Dorado County 4, Alhambra 1, Beverly Hills 1, La Verne 2, Los Angeles 10, Pasadena 1, Sacramento County 1, Sacramento 3, San Bernardino County 1, San Diego 2, San Francisco 6, Lodi 1, Stockton 1, San Luis Obispo 2, Menlo Park 1, Santa Clara County 4, Tulare County 1, Santa Paula 3.

Smallpox.

12 cases of smallpox have been reported, as follows: Berkeley 1, Chico 1, Fresno County 1, Brawley 4, Madera County 2, Riverside County 1, San Francisco 1, Santa Clara County 1.

Typhoid Fever.

16 cases of typhoid fever have been reported, as follows: Oakland 1, Kern County 1, Los Angeles County 1, Los Angeles 1, Riverside County 1, San Bernardino County 1, San Diego 1, San Francisco 5, Stockton 1, Siskiyou County 1, Tulare County 1, California 1.

Whooping Cough.

153 cases of whooping cough have been

reported, as follows: Contra Costa County 7, Fresno County 9, Sanger 1, Susanville 9, Los Angeles County 19, Beverly Hills 1, Compton 1, Glendale 2, Los Angeles 53, Pasadena 1, Redondo 1, South Pasadena 1, Maywood 1, Orange 1, Santa Ana 1, Sacramento 2, San Diego County 2, National City 2, San Diego 25, San Francisco 6, Stockton 4, Santa Barbara County 2, Ojai 2.

Meningitis (Epidemic).

4 cases of epidemic meningitis have been reported, as follows: San Gabriel 1, Sacramento County 1, San Francisco 1, San Joaquin County 1.

Poliomyelitis.

6 cases of poliomyelitis have been reported, as follows: Los Angeles County 1, Huntington Park 1, Los Angeles 2, Riverside 1, San Diego 1.

Plague (Bubonic).

Monterey County reported one case of bubonic plague.

Food Poisoning.

Los Angeles County reported two cases of food poisoning.

Coccidoidal Granuloma.

Los Angeles County reported one case of coccidoidal granuloma.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTS

Disease	1928				1927			
	Week ending			Reports for week ending Aug. 4 received by Aug. 7	Week ending			Reports for week ending Aug. 6 received by Aug. 9
	July 14	July 21	July 28		July 16	July 23	July 30	
Anthrax.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Botulism.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chickenpox.....	112	92	62	42	116	75	88	61
Coccidoidal Granuloma.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria.....	70	52	51	49	79	57	80	72
Dysentery (Bacillary).....	0	2	0	0	4	1	130	0
Encephalitis (Epidemic).....	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	2
Food Poisoning.....	3	1	0	2	1	75	3	0
German Measles.....	32	25	22	16	12	14	10	8
Gonococcus Infection.....	106	134	194	91	94	83	85	148
Influenza.....	8	6	12	10	12	6	3	2
Jaundice (Epidemic).....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leprosy.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Malaria.....	1	1	0	3	1	2	5	1
Measles.....	20	24	20	20	133	124	106	58
Meningitis (Epidemic).....	1	4	7	4	3	3	7	6
Mumps.....	73	60	41	48	39	47	29	33
Paratyphoid Fever.....	2	6	2	1	0	0	1	0
Plague.....	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Pneumonia (Lobar).....	26	23	25	26	24	32	102	29
Poliomyelitis.....	7	1	7	6	50	66	71	56
Rabies (Animals).....	18	6	7	6	5	1	6	1
Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Scarlet Fever.....	69	71	63	49	59	71	59	68
Smallpox.....	4	24	17	12	19	6	7	6
Syphilis.....	122	125	251	146	128	87	84	177
Tetanus.....	0	5	3	2	2	2	3	0
Trachoma.....	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
Trichinosis.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	240	227	237	198	191	188	228	180
Typhoid Fever.....	14	11	16	16	24	16	26	12
Typhus Fever.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whooping Cough.....	209	230	206	153	149	143	140	133
Totals.....	1,138	1,133	1,243	902	1,147	1,103	1,277	1,053